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Minister of Trade and Industry tours EIG factory operations

As the Ministry of Trade and Industry continues to provide support and incentives to stimulate the growth and development of local businesses, Senator the Honourable Paula Gopee-Scoon, Minister of Trade and Industry, toured the manufacturing facilities of Electrical Industries Group Limited (EIG) at Century Drive, Macoya and its Cable Plant facility in Arima on Friday, April 5th, 2024.

The tour sought to provide the Minister with an overview of the contributions of EIG to the economy and to highlight its role in manufacturing and generating foreign exchange (FX). Additionally, it aimed to deepen collaboration between the Ministry of Trade and Industry and EIG, as the company seeks to explore opportunities for further growth, investment, and partnership that will be mutually beneficial both to industry and society as a whole.

EIG is a premier producer of electrical cables, plastics for construction, power solutions and packaging materials, with over 90 years of combined manufacturing experience. EIG currently manages two subsidiaries within Barbados and Jamaica, and exports to 17 territories spanning the Caribbean, Central, and South America.

During the tour of the plastics plant facility located in Macoya, Minister Gopee-Scoon observed the operations of the industrial scale plastics division where PVC, pipes, fittings, and plastic for construction and industrial packaging are manufactured. This was followed by a tour of the cable manufacturing facilities at Arima where domestic and armoured cables are produced with 99.99% pure copper. Minister Gopee-Scoon commended EIG on its significant expansion over the years and for striving to diversify its product offerings and processes. She also acknowledged the company's interest in expanding into new markets and its eagerness for further investment and reaffirmed the Government's support to facilitate the growth and development of local businesses.

The Minister was accompanied on the tour by the organization's senior executives, including EIG Founder and Chairman Dr. Dave Ramkissoon, the group's Executive Vice President Sales and Marketing Mr. Paul Kublalsingh, Deputy CEO Ms. Justine Ramkissoon, Group Export Manager, Ms Sallyann Goolcharan, and Group Strategy Manager, Mr. Randall Karim, Permanent Secretary in the Ministry of Trade and Industry and Dr. Ramesh Ramdeen, CEO of the Trinidad and Tobago Manufacturers' Association.

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